Headquarters, V Corps

The combined staff of Headquarters, V Corps was designated Task Force Victory in December 2005, with Lt. Gen. Peter Chiarelli in command. TF Victory's rotation in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom began January 19, 2006 when the general accepted responsibility for the Multi-National Corps - Iraq mission from the Army's XVIII Airborne Corps. Approximately 1,400 Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines served as the command element for the 29-nation OIF coalition. This joint and combined coalition consisted of over 128,000 personnel assigned to two U.S. Army divisions; one U.S. Marine expeditionary force; three coalition divisions, and a multitude of separate brigades serving across the OIF area of operations. During 2006 TF Victory, in close partnership with the newly elected government of Iraq, made great progress fighting terrorism and establishing a viable framework for lasting security in Iraq. Combined Iraqi-coalition operations were critical to building the Iraqi people's confidence in their security forces. Under TF Victory's command of MNC-I, more than 4,000 coalition operations; 7,000 Iraqi security force operations, and 12,000 combined operations were conducted against anti-Iraqi forces. To support the development of Iraqi security, MNC-I fielded over 140 military transition teams across Iraq, composed of U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine personnel, as well as British, Polish, South Korean and other coalition member forces, partnered with Iraqi army units to strengthen the nation's military capabilities. MNC-I also led the largest force protection upgrade in the OIF theater with the installation of increased armor on more than 20,000 coalition vehicles. At the same time, MNC-I logistical capability was able to provide support to the corps' subordinate joint and coalition forces. Thanks to TF Victory and MNC-I's efforts, Iraq is establishing itself as a sovereign democracy where the promise of security and freedom for the Iraqi people is steadily being fulfilled.